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1, PROMINENT MEDIA PLAY ON MIDEAST CONTINUES, WITH EMPHASIS ON SECSTATE KISSINGER'S FORTHCOMING VISIT TO AREA. SAMPLE NEWSPAPER FRONT-PAGE HEADLINES: INDEPENDENT JORNAL DO BRASIL (RIO): "KISSINGER WILL DISCUSS PEACE IN NEW TRIP TO MIDEAST"; PRESTIGIOUS O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO: "KISSINGER SEEKS TO GUARANTEE PEACE"; STORY LEAD SAYS THAT "THE U.S. IS DEVELOPING AN INTENSIVE DIPLOMATIC EFFORT IN ORDER TO GUARANTEE SUCCESS OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE." (DECEMBER 4) SAMPLE COMMENTARIES:

(A) NAHUM SIROTSKY, JORNAL DO BRASIL CORRESPONDENT IN TEL AVIV, WRITES:"DOUBTS ARE INCREASING AS TO WHETHER IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO OPEN THE (GENEVA)PEACE TALKS ON DECEMBER 18 AS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED. ...SOME (ISRAELI)DIPLOMATIC OBSERVERS PREFER TO INTERPRET THE ARABS' ATTITUDES (THREATS AND DEMANDS) AS A LEAD-IN TO NEGOTIATING POSITIONS. MILITARY AND POLITICAL LEADERS BELIEVE...THAT ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN BETWEEN NOW AND DECEMBER 18, INCLUDING NEW AND SERIOUS FIGHTING. ..."
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(B) DIARIOS ASSOCIADOS COLUMNIST BENEDITO COUTINHOTWLKTES IN CONSERVATIVE CORREIO BRASILIENSE(BRASILIA):"...ACCORDING TO EXPERTS IN MIDEAST AFFAIRS, NEW FIGHTING AT GOLAN IS CONFIRMING THE USELESSNESS OF WHAT HAS BEEN CALLED"PETROLEUM BLACKMAIL"....THE WEST'S POLITICAL TACTIC TO OVERCOME THE CRITICAL SITUATION WILL BE TO MAINTAIN AN EVASIVE APPROACH WITH THE ARABS WHILE AT THE SAME TIME TRYING TO FIND IMMEDIATE SOLUTIONS FOR ITS ENERGY PROBLEMS. THEN, ASSURED THAT LACK OF PETROLEUM WILL NOT KILL IT OF 'OIL ANEMIA,' THE WEST WILL BE ABLE TO DEAL WITH THE ARABS ON THE SAME TERMS PREVAILING BEFORE THE ARAB-ISRAELI WAR..."(DECEMBER 4).

2. O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO EDITORIAL CRITICIZES A RECENT UNGA RESOLUTION APPROVING USE OF ARMAMENTS BY THE SO CALLED "LIBERATION MOVEMENTS," SAYING "... THIS RESOLUTION WAS A GREAT VICTORY FOR THE THIRD WORLD LEADERS...IT SEEMS THAT THE U.N. IS BECOMING THE REPRESENTATIVE OF YOUNG AND REVOLUTIONARY NATIONS, ISOLATING IN INTERNATIONAL COUNCILS...CULTURALLY DEVELOPED NATIONS WITH A POLITICAL COMMITMENT TO DEMOCRACY..." (DECEMBER 4).
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